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In re application of: Paul Rudeck

Kelly Hurley

Serial No.: 10/722,791

Filed: November 25, 2003

For: METHOD AND STRUCTURE FOR AN OXIDE LAYER OVERLYING AN OXIDATION-RESISTANT LAYER

GAU: 2815

Examiner: Joseph H. Nguyen

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Please enter the following in response to the Examiner's restriction of September 27, 2004.

Serial No.: 10/722,791 Inventor: Rudeck, et al.

Election

In response to the Examiner's restriction, applicant provisionally elects the claims of species III, claims 3-6, without traverse. Applicant understands that if no generic claim is finally held to be allowable, the claims shall be restricted to claims 3-6.

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FEE TRANSMITTAL for FY 2005

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☐ Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27

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| Account 13-3092, Order No. 1998-0609.02/US | 1051 | 130 | 2051 | 65 | Surcharge - late filing fee or oath | |
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| Deposit | 1053 | 130 | 1053 | 130 | Non-English specification | |
| Account Micron Technology, Inc. Name | 1812 | 2,520 | 1812 | 2,520 | For filing a request for ex parte reexamination | |
| | 1804 | 920° | 1804 | 920* | Requesting publication of SIR prior to | |
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| ☑ Charge any additional fee(s) or any underpayment of fee(s) ☐ Charge fee(s) indicated below, except for the filing fee | 1805 | 1,840* | 1805 | 1,840* | Requesting publication of SIR after Examiner action | |
| to the above-identified deposit account. | 1251 | 110 | 2251 | 55 | Extension for reply within first month | |
| FEE CALCULATION | 1252 | 430 | 2252 | 215 | Extension for reply within second month | |
| 1. BASIC FILING FEE | 1253 | 980 | 2253 | 490 | Extension for reply within third month | |
| Large Entity Small Entity | 1254 | 1,530 | 2254 | 765 | Extension for reply within fourth month | |
| Fee Fee Fee <u>Fee Description</u> | 1255 | 2.080 | 2255 | 1,040 | Extension for reply within fifth month | |
| Code (\$) Code (\$) Fee Paid | 1401 | 340 | 2401 | 170 | Notice of Appeal | |
| 1001 790 2001 395 Utility filing fee | 1402 | 340 | 2402 | 170 | Filing a brief in support of an appeal | |
| 1002 350 2002 175 Design filing fee 1003 550 2003 275 Plant filing fee | 1403 | 300 | 2403 | 150 | Request for oral hearing | |
| 1004 790 2004 395 Reissue filing fee | 1451 | 1.510 | 1451 | 1,510 | Petition to institute a public use proceeding | |
| 1005 160 2005 80 Provisional filling fee | 1452 | 110 | 2452 | 55 | Petition to revive – unavoidable | |
| | 1453 | 1,370 | 2453 | 685 | Petition to revive – unintentional | |
| SUBTOTAL (1) (\$)0 | 1501 | 1.370 | 2501 | 685 | Utility issue fee (or reissue) | |
| 2. EXTRA CLAIM FEES FOR UTILITY AND REISSUE | 1502 | 490 | 2502 | 245 | Design issue fee | |
| Fee from | 1503 | 660 | 2503 | 330 | Plant issue fee | |
| Extra Claims below Fee Paid | 1460 | 130 | 1460 | 130 | Petitions to the Commissioner | |
| Total Claims 4 -20 ** = 0 X 18 = 0 | 1807 | 50 | 1807 | 50 | Processing fee under 37 CFR 1.17 (q) | |
| Independent 1 -3 ** = 0 X 88 = 0 | 1806 | 180 | 1806 | 180 | Submission of Information Disclosure Stmt | |
| Multiple Y = 0 | 8021 | 40 | 8021 | 40 | Recording each patent assignment per | |
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| Large Entity Small Entity | 1809 | 790 | 2809 | 395 | Filing a submission after final rejection (37 CFR § 1.129(a)) | |
| Fee Fee Fee Fee Fee Description | 1810 | 790 | 2810 | 395 | For each additional invention to be | |
| 1202 18 2202 9 Claims in excess of 20 | | | | ••• | examined (37 CFR § 1.129(b)) | |
| 1201 88 2201 44 Independent claims in excess of 3 | | | | | | |
| 1203 300 2203 150 Multiple dependent claim, if not paid | 1801 | 790 | 2801 | 395 | Request for Continued Examination (RCE) | |
| 1204 88 2204 44 ** Reissue independent claims over original patent | 1802 | 900 | 1802 | 900 | Request for expedited examination of a design application | |
| 1205 18 2205 9 ** Reissue claims in excess of 20 and | | | | | or a design application | |
| over original patent | Other f | ee (speci | fy) | _ |] | |
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